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Constitution and Bylaws of the Association, and

leave their names, residences and references.

The Association meets on the 1st Friday of each month.

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NOTICES.

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ALL PARTIES HAVING CLAIMS
against the estate of Dr. Hand, deceased, incurred by Chong Lee, proprietor of the Chinese
Restaurant, 101, King George street, Victoria, British
Columbia, are invited to present their claims to
Lee having long since ceased to have any interest in
the business, although he still retains his sign-board
and name, and the sum of \$200 was paid for
the privilege of using his name.

SING LEE.

Artesian Gold Mining Company, (Limited).

NOTICE OF CALL.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY CENTS per share, has this day been levied, payable forthwith to the Secretary, at the office of the Company, in Fort Street.

J. P. CRANFORD,
Secretary.

Victoria, V. I., Nov. 28, 1865.

STRAYED.

INTO THE PREMISES OF THOMAS CARTER, of Hillside Farm, Victoria, last a small grey mare, about the 15th October, last, a stud mare, or about the 15th October, last. Under the said mare is claimed within fourteen days from the date she will be sold to pay expenses of keeping her.

THOMAS CARTER,
Hillside Farm, Victoria, Nov. 28th, 1865.

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BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES.

In future all notices of Births, Deaths, and Marriages intended for insertion in this paper must be pre-paid at the following rates: For Births and marriages, \$1 00; for Deaths, \$1; with funeral notice \$1 50.

THE JURY SYSTEM.

There are a great many excellent things which we borrow from English law, but there are some very foolish if not indeed mischievous ones. Of the latter class we may, we think, safely put down the unanimous verdict in criminal cases. There is scarcely an Assize Court held in either colony but discloses the defective character of our jury system. We see a dozen of men locked up because they cannot agree, and in the hope that concurrence may force them into unanimity. This sometimes has not the desired effect, and the jury is discharged, the prisoner is remanded, the witness goes home, and the whole thing is gone into de novo at a future date, with an additional expense to the individual and to the country. Now, in the first place, the system, with all its apparent mercy, to the prisoner really the most unjust; for it tends to prolong his incarceration when he is still, in the eyes of the law, an innocent man. It is unreasonable, and even brutal to the jury, for it relies on force to extort an opinion, as the Inquisition of old relied on torture to extract a confession. The result in the one case is the same as in the other. Men's lives or property are at the mercy of physical strength. If the juryman is weak, and cannot bear confinement or long fasting, he is most likely in the end to yield, and make achieve a victory over mind and morality.

In this age of enlightenment we can scarcely conceive a more barbarous and irrational scheme of jurisprudence. If we attempted to carry the same principle into Legislative Assemblies, City Councils, or deliberative bodies of any sort, we should be (and justly) charged with lunacy. And yet the object of the jury is the exact same object as that of the Assembly—to arrive at truth and act upon it. To elicit this truth, the jury has all the evidence brought out by examination and cross-examination, and by way of a clarifier has the succinct and careful charge of the judge. While the weight of all this is resting on his mind, he exchanges ideas with his fellow-jurymen—listens to what they have got to say and gives his opinion. This differs from the opinions of the others; and for this offence they as well as he are locked up. Now the question resolves itself into not who has the clearest notion of the case, which is under deliberation, but who has got the strongest constitution, and the greatest determination. If there are a number of men of this class on the jury the chances are that they will, under the locking up system, bully the rest into compliance—which simply means that they will tire their fellow-jurors into perjury. For it certainly stands to reason that if a man swears to give his decision to the best of his ability, the opinion which he forms when the whole case is fresh before him is an honest opinion, and if he is induced to change it through the fear of losing his liberty or his customary meals, we can only come to the conclusion that he has gone in direct contradiction to his oath. Thus, then, we see the effect of this compulsory unanimity is unjust to the prisoner, unjust to the jury, and unjust to the country. It makes, in fact, the intelligence and integrity of the jurors subordinate to their appetite or constitution.

Bad as the principle is in populous countries, the evil becomes intensified in small communities. In the latter places it is almost impossible to find a man charged with a crime who has not got some friends who, if they became jurors, would not stick out to the last in his defense. In a community like our own, as we have in former issues pointed out, where society is split up into fragmentary associations or clannish parties, the difficulty of obtaining a unanimous verdict is almost beyond the bounds of possibility. The consequence is that the laws of the country are virtually set at defiance, or as we have stated above, the prisoner is retained a longer period in confinement while his guilt is still merely matter of conjecture. This must surely appear iniquitous to even the least discerning. With all our veneration for the customs of our forefathers, we think the time has arrived when we should evince less of the Chinese worship of the past and more of the practical tendencies of the present. In this respect we had better take a leaf from the Scotch with their majority system. We have already abolished the unanimous jury in civil cases; let us have a scheme equally decisive in our criminal courts. Let us have a verdict from twelve out of fifteen—or some such proportion—a final verdict that will waste no time, outrage no sense of decency or justice by the locking up of the jury, and retain the prisoner in suspense not a single day longer than there is absolute necessity for. At present as the law stands there is really no definite end to a disagreeing jury. The general custom is, but there is no specific law on the subject, to lock the jurors up for six hours, and if by that time they are not unanimous to lock them up still further and discharge them. A fresh set of men are then empanneled, and the whole case is gone over again, with probably similar results. If we take a three-fourths or four-fifths verdict, we finish the case at once, and acquit or convict the prisoner. We have then the uncoined and honest opinion of the great bulk of the jurors—we have the time of the court, of the witnesses, and of the jury themselves saved—and lastly, we have a better guarantee of justice than we ever can by any possible means have by our present antiquated and irrational system of unanimous verdicts.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that from this date I will no longer be bound to pay any debts contracted by any person without my written order.

WILLIAM JEFFERY.

NOTICE.

Estate of Joseph Maria Morais—Assignment.

ALL CREDITORS ON THIS ESTATE are directed to meet at my office Saturday, the 9th instant, otherwise they will be excluded from any benefit to be divided payable hereon on Monday, the 11th instant.

W. R. H. ADAMSON, Assignee.

Government street, Victoria, V. I., December 6, 1865. del 6

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A. T. ELLIOTT,

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Victoria, Nov. 5, 1865.

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What is more fatal than a sinking down of the

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ching, heat, or spirit, or far better, asthmatic from

these, altogether, do not take coffee—weak tea is

the best medicine, and the tea of the hills every night; eat plenty of solids,

and avoid the meat; but never eat too much, and

never let the meat be fat, never let the system, and

body, forget you have any nerves.

Mother's and Daughters

It is more than mere another to which

these are famous, it is their purity, appropriate-

ness, and power to remove all impurities, and

removing dangerous, and ensuring peaceful re-

missions. Universally adopted,

in all cases of nervous disease, and especially

those pills are fat, never eat too much, and

never let the system, and body, forget you have any nerves.

Disorders of the Kidneys

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ness, and power to remove all impurities, and

removing dangerous, and ensuring peaceful re-

missions. Universally adopted,

in all cases of nervous disease, and especially

those pills are fat, never eat too much, and

never let the system, and body, forget you have any nerves.

Disorders of the Liver

No medicine can improve the tone of the

stomach as these pills, they relieve all annoy-

ances caused either by intemperance or imprope-

rity. They restore the liver, and reduce it to a

healthy condition, and are the best medicine

for the cure of spasms—in fact they never fail in curing al-

most all diseases of the liver.

Disorders of the Heart

It is more than mere another to which

these are famous, it is their purity, appropriate-

ness, and power to remove all impurities, and

removing dangerous, and ensuring peaceful re-

missions. Universally adopted,

in all cases of nervous disease, and especially

those pills are fat, never eat too much, and

never let the system, and body, forget you have any nerves.

Disorders of the Brain

It is more than mere another to which

these are famous, it is their purity, appropriate-

ness, and power to remove all impurities, and

removing dangerous, and ensuring peaceful re-

missions. Universally adopted,

in all cases of nervous disease, and especially

those pills are fat, never eat too much, and

never let the system, and body, forget you have any nerves.

Disorders of the Nerves

It is more than mere another to which

these are famous, it is their purity, appropriate-

ness, and power to remove all impurities, and

removing dangerous, and ensuring peaceful re-

missions. Universally adopted,

in all cases of nervous disease, and especially

those pills are fat, never eat too much, and

never let the system, and body, forget you have any nerves.

Disorders of the Skin

It is more than mere another to which

these are famous, it is their purity, appropriate-

ness, and power to remove all impurities, and

removing dangerous, and ensuring peaceful re-

missions. Universally adopted,

in all cases of nervous disease, and especially

those pills are fat, never eat too much, and

never let the system, and body, forget you have any nerves.

Disorders of the Eyes

It is more than mere another to which

these